



**BOTTOM FISH RIG**  
**ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

The present embodiment of the invention relates to a bottom fish rig 12 for use in connection with fishing tackle. The bottom fish rig 12 has particular utility in connection with fishing tackle having a strong leader 13 with a notable new removable sliding c-weight 25 and a horizontal unilateral three pronged hook 41 that resists snagging and reduces possible injuries. A horizontal unilateral three pronged hook 41 differs from the standard treble hook by having all three barbs oriented upwards in a 180 degree plane and that the horizontal unilateral three pronged hook 41 is designed to lie flat on the surface.

To attain this, the present embodiment of the invention essentially comprises an elongated leader 13 having a [hook] leader line end 16 and a [line] leader hook end 14, with the leader hook end 14 having a leader hook loop 18, and the leader line end 16 having a leader line loop 20. A first movement stop 22 [split shot] is crimped in front of a leader line lug 21 forming a line leader loop 20 [to] of the leader 13. A second movement stop 24 [split shot] is crimped to the leader 13 about two-thirds of the length. A sliding c-weight 25 is connected to the leader 13 in this area. The c-weight 25 has a first end 28 having a first bore 30 with an external c-weight first slot 32 on one side, and on the opposite side a c-weight second end 34 [having] has a second bore 36 with an external c-weight second slot 38 [on the other side] in which the leader 13 is slid into and attached to the sliding weight 25. At the [other] leader hook end 14, the leader hook loop lug 19 forms [to] the leader hook loop 18 that is attached to a swivel 48, a snap 46 and a horizontal unilateral three pronged hook 41 which has a vertical central hook barf 45 and a pair of outer hook barbs 44.